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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, entry of the following Preliminary Amendment is requested.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-19.

Please add the following new claims:

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20. (New) A method for transporting cooked pizza, the method comprising steps of:

(a) providing a case having walls defining an interior volume, an opening for accessing said interior volume, a flap for covering said opening, and a cover within said interior volume for providing a sub-chamber;

(b) placing a thermal storage assembly within said sub-chamber, said thermal storage assembly comprising:

(i) a heat retention member for absorbing and retaining heat and for releasing said heat over extended periods of time;

(ii) a heating coil assembly in thermally conductive contact with said heat retention member;